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In re Application of:)
: Examiner: NYA
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: Group Art Unit: NYA
Appln. No.: 09/925,639)
: Filed: August 10, 2001)
: For: COMMUNICATION APPARATUS)
: CAPABLE OF COMMUNICATING)
: VIA DIFFERENT TYPES OF)
: COMMUNICATION LINES AND)
: CONTROL METHOD THEREOF) November 13, 2001

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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the documents listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. Copies of the listed documents are also enclosed.

A concise explanation of relevance of Japanese Patent No. 10-224591 is given in the attached English abstract and on pages 1-2 of the specification. Also, U.S. Patent No. 6,288,800 (copy enclosed) is in the same patent family as this Japanese application.

The Examiner's attention is also directed to the following U.S. applications:

<u>APPLN. NO.</u>	<u>FILING DATE</u>	<u>GROUP ART UNIT</u>
09/903,703	07/13/01	2681
09/903,675	07/13/01	2182
09/939,808	08/28/01	2622

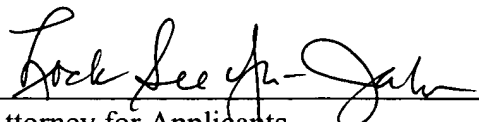
A copy of each cited application, as originally filed, is enclosed.

It is respectfully requested that the above information be considered by the Examiner and that a copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 be returned indicating that such information has been considered.

To the best of Applicant's knowledge, a first Office Action has not yet been received for this application.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our New York office by telephone at (212) 218-2100. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our below listed address.

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